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SENATOR BEUTLER: ...but you're familiar enough with it to know that it's the fee part of it that's controversial; not dealing with, per se, storm water drainage problems, right? I mean,...

SENATOR FLOOD: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...entities have to deal with it one way or another. And with...

SENATOR JANSSEN PRESIDING

SENATOR JANSSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...and with the new federal regulations, obviously they're going to have to deal with it in a very different way.

SENATOR FLOOD: I know that that...

SENATOR BEUTLER: And I know you didn't do the committee amendment. But let me just ask you, is there any logic, in your mind, other than the small step logic that you've articulated here earlier? But I'm talking de facto, with regard to the substance of the issue, do you see any good reason for excluding storm water drainage?

SENATOR FLOOD: I think my impression of the committee's position is that it was going into an area that they felt uncomfortable with, quite possibly because the committee had some concerns with the activities and projects of NRDs across the state of Nebraska, if that's accurate. Somebody from the committee could do a better job than I could describing what happened in their Executive Session.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. It's probably fair of me to redirect my questions...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...to Senator Schimek, and I'll do that.